

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are pending in this application. The drawings have been amended to according to requirements set forth in the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed March 1, 2004. The specification has also been amended to reflect that Figures 2, 2a, 3 and 3a exist in the application and are part of the drawings.

No new matter is being introduced into the application by this amendment.

CONCLUSION

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John W. Bailey (Reg. No. 32,881) at the telephone number below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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